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1. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA CALLED ON HABIB ON SEPTEMBER 14 TO DISCUSS PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO JAPAN AND OTHER MATTERS (SEE SEPTELS). FOLLOWING THIS HABIB NOTED THAT TALKS IN SEOUL HAD REACHED HIGHLY SENSITIVE POINT. THE KOREANS WERE ASKING FOR SOME SMALL CHANGES IN THE LETTER FROM TANAKA, OR IN PLACE OF THESE CHANGES AN AGREED MINUTE COVERING VARIOUS POINTS WHICH WOULD BE INITIALED WHEN LETTER FORMALLY DELIVERED. THE MOST IMPORTANT THING AT THIS POINT WAS FOR THE TWO SIDES TO KEEP TALKING.

2. HABIB SAID WE WERE NOT SUGGESTING ANY PARTICULAR WORDING FOR THE LETTER, OR ANY OTHER PAPER. WE UNDERSTOOD THAT USHIROKU HAD MET WITH KIM CHONG-PIL AND PRESUMED ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION COULD BE WORKED OUT IF TWO SIDES
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KEEP TALKING. KOREANS APPEARED TO BE GETTING MORE

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DESPERATE AND ARE SPEAKING OF A BREAK IN RELATIONS AS
THE NEXT STEP. WE HAVE BEEN ADVISING THEM TO KEEP
TALKING AND THAT A BREAK IS INCONCEIVABLE. HE ADDED
THAT THE JAPANESE MUST ALSO KEEP COMMUNICATIONS OPEN, NOT
DEAL ON A TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT BASIS, AND FIND A WAY TO
SATISFY KOREAN DESIRES WITHIN ACCEPTABLE LIMITS.

3. YASUKAWA EXPRESSED FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THESE VIEWS,
APPEARED SYMPATHETIC, AND PROMISED TO CONVEY THEM TO HIS
GOVERNMENT. KISSINGER

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